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Hardest Year to Date

Mr. W. R. Thomas.

After six years at the helm of Victorian soccer, "Bill" Thomas (Chairman of the V.A.S.F.A.) found 1956 his toughest year.

The struggle for Olympic Park, his work as Technical Adviser on Soccer for the Olympic Games, his labours as an Australian Selector, and his normal duties as Chairman of Council and the Executive — all on top of the basic necessity of making a living — have added up to a colossal season for the "skipper."

BRIGHT SEASON DRAWS TO CLOSE

Thrills, New Stars, New Records — and Some Let-Downs

Despite the fact that Victorian soccer was not blessed this year with visits by famous tourists, 1956 has been one of the brightest seasons on record, with excitement galore for the fans.

Leadership of the 1st Division swung back and forth through the year, with Slavia, new-comer to the major League, having a large share of the rarefied air at the top of the ladder.

With only two rounds to be played, five Clubs were within three points of each other at the top, and Juventus finally won the pennant, on goal percentage only, for the fifth year in a row.

Wilhelmina continued to scythe a glamorous swathe through the 2nd Division, and will be a worthy addition to the senior League. The Dutchmen have created all sorts of records on their bulldozed route to the top.

Geelong's comeback under the guidance of Mrs. Borsari, the records of Preston, Richmond, Hayduk, Yarra Park, and the Juventus and Wilhelmina Reserves, were developments that created interest right throughout the season.

Several new individual stars, the life-blood of any sport, made their appearances, and Victoria fielded what was possibly its strongest team ever to defeat New South Wales twice in Melbourne.

The grounds position is moving forward. Hakoah has big plans for Middle Park, Slavia is settled at Port Melbourne, Moreland's ground has been renovated, Box Hill's new park should be available in 1957, Polonia and Brighton are holding their positions, and Wilhelmina is happy at Hawthorn.

Disappointments of 1956 included soccer's failure to obtain Olympic Park, the lack of improvement in press publicity, and the severe down-gradings of old Clubs, Footscray City, Prahran, Park Rangers, and Williamstown.

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The Argus

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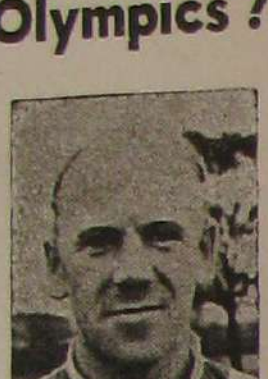

BOB WEMYSS.

Captain of Victoria, Captain of Polonia, and joint "Argus" Medallist for 1956, right wing-half Bob Wemyss has had his best year in Victorian soccer.

Bob is playing better than ever before — his game in the Polonia-Wilhelmina Cup tie gave ample proof of that — and he is expected to be selected to represent Australia in the Olympic Games Soccer Tournament.

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EDITORIAL.

MUCH TO BE DONE

Despite the gratfiying growth of soccer in Victoria, a great deal of organisational development has yet to be done to put the game on a firmer foundation.

This is not written in a spirit of carping criticism. Most of the controlling Committees responsible for the defects in soccer's body politic are fully aware of the existence of the faults, and are striving to overcome them.

Take League Management, for instance. With an obsolete set of Rules and no Constitutional recognition, this Committee has striven to control the Leagues with some degree of wisdom and justice. Inevitably, mistakes have been made, but a new set of Rules are being currently drawn up, and Constitutional guidance is being sought.

The situation regarding referees has improved somewhat, but is still inadequate. However, the Referees' Association is working ever harder to improve both the quantity and quality of available officials.

More attention must somehow be won from many of the senior Clubs regarding the sponsorship of Junior teams. The problems of cost and management MUST be solved.

This brings us to the bodies in which there is the greatest room for improvement — Club Committees.

Organisation, administration, co-operation, and publicity efforts are sadly lacking in too many Clubs. These Clubs pay the piper themselves by being inevitably down-graded — but unfortunately the whole soccer body suffers by their inadequacy.

The overall picture for the future is encouraging, however, and steady progress, engineered by the existing hard core of idealistic soccer "slaves," is indicated.

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WHY ARE BRITISH CLUBS LOSING GROUND?

All-European 1st Division Forecast

BILL.

In addition to publishing his opinion that "Australian, or better, Victorian soccer has not progressed one iota," Bill Fleming has verbally forecast that 1958 will find the 1st Division solely composed of Continental Clubs.

Bill says that, as a result, "Victorian" soccer is losing prestige. Enquiry reveals that by "Victorian" soccer, Bill means the British Clubs.

Apart from his 1958 forecast, which is obviously impossible, Bill is right to a great extent. But some British members of the soccer community have taken exception to his sweeping debasement of their "progress," and many Continentals feel, QUITE WRONGLY, that the article as a whole suggests that domination of local soccer by Continental Clubs might be unwelcome.

Since the article generously and sympathetically draws attention to the Continental Clubs as shining examples of enterprise, it is unnecessary to reassure our European friends on this point. It is the implied criticism of British Clubs that requires further airing.

Firstly, we should like to point out that British Clubs founded, organised, and maintained soccer through the 50 years during which there was no soccer "public" to speak of. This gave European migrants, pouring in since the war, a flying start, since they found a ready-made soccer organisation ready to cater for them.

On the matter of grounds, a careful study of the facilities of the 1st and 2nd Divisions for 1957 reveals that the 10 British Clubs are just as well off for grounds as the 10 Continental Clubs.

The fact remains, however, that British Clubs are losing ground in their League standings. Only three remain in the 1st Division — four, if Hakoah is included, because of its predominance of British players — whereas seven have found their way down to the 2nd Division.

"Soccer News" feels that this is traceable to lack of public support for British Clubs, which, in turn, means lack of money, and the Club facilities and other advantages that money can buy.

With tens of thousands of British migrants in Victoria, why this lack of support?

This, "Soccer News" feels, can in large part be attributed to EXISTING CLUB NAMES.

Continental supporters are attracted in the first instance by names familiar and respected in their homelands — Wilhelmina, Juventus, Hakoah, Hellenic, Hayduk, Polonia, and so on.

Commendable as it is to use local district names, it is hard to imagine even the interest, let alone the support, of newly arrived Scotsmen or Englishmen being attracted to Clubs with names like Moreland, Box Hill, South Melbourne, Sunshine, and the like.

BUT GIVE THEM NAMES LIKE GLASGOW RANGERS, CARDIFF CITY, MANCHESTER UNITED, BLACKPOOL, AND OTHERS OF THEIR PROMINENT AND BELOVED TOWNS AND COUNTIES, AND WE FEEL THAT BRITISH CLUBS WILL ATTRACT THE SUPPORT WHICH WILL IN TURN MAKE ALL THINGS POSSIBLE.

RETIRING?

TOM JACK.

Hakoah, Victorian, and Australian Captain and centre-half for years, Tom Jack has been a beneficent milestone in soccer, and again rumours are circulating about his retirement.

If Tom quits, at whom would the spectators direct their lusty but affectionate boos?

★ STARS of 1956 ★

SPANIARD

★ PEPE CUBERO is a decorative acquisition to local soccer. A brilliant inside forward, Pepe played 3rd Division soccer with Puerto Real, Champions of Andalusia, and later 2nd Division with Recreativo Huelva. Played this year with J.U.S.T., and won the "Argus" Best and Fairest Medal.

LATVIAN

★ RAY BAROTAJS played 1st Division soccer for the first time this year with Slavia, and was selected to represent Victoria. Being only 19 years old, this was a rare distinction. Ray previously played with Brunswick, a Latvian Club.

DUTCHMAN

★ SJEL de BRUYCKERE's top class soccer qualifications won't fit into this small space. In fact, his soccer background would fill this REVIEW. It is essential that soccer fans know more about Wilhelmina's brilliant playing-Coach, however, and more of "Mike's" story will be found on Page 7.

ITALIAN

★ ALDO VITTI, another 1956 arrival, came from Trieste. A goalkeeper with monumental calm, Aldo joined Hakoah in June. In the last eight games with that Club, Aldo conceded only four goals!

ENGLISHMAN

★ NORM HOBSON, 18-yea ld goalkeeper, late of Leeds, joined Moreland this year. Already a fine 'keeper, Norm has the makings of a great one.

HUNGARY OUT!

Lost to Olympic Soccer

HUNGARY HAS WITHDRAWN ITS TEAM FROM THE MELBOURNE OLYMPIC SOCCER TOURNAMENT !

The official reason for the withdrawal was not known when this went to press, but the withdrawal itself was confirmed when the draw for the first round was received in Melbourne on Saturday, September 1, and revealed that Hungary was omitted.

Although Egypt was also reported earlier to have withdrawn, it has remained in the draw.

It is not yet known which countries, if any, will be invited to replace withdrawals.

One disappointment of the draw pits Russia against Germany in the first round, which will mean that one of these attractions must be lost to spectators after its first appearance.

Australia was given a chance to survive when it drew Japan for its opening tie.

Here is the draw:—

United States v. Jugoslavia.
Bulgaria v. Egypt.
Republic of China v. Turkey.
Germany v. Russia.
Vietnam v. Indonesia.
Thailand v. Great Britain.
Australia v. Japan.
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PICS *of the* YEAR

Sam Gold, official photographer for "Soccer News," has given readers through these pages many fine action shots. This is because, in addition to being a good cameraman, he is a student of soccer, and can anticipate moves just as a player does.

In the picture above, he caught Emio Lucian, J.U.S.T. goalkeeper, in mid-air in a brilliant and desperate save against Juventus.

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Ray Barotajs faced penalty kicks by Harry Sutherland twice this year — and saved them both. In the picture (above), Ray was caught in mid-leap, a split second after deflecting the ball to the temporary safety of a corner kick.

★

Of all the dramatic shots that Sam turned in, we think this the best. Here we see Joe Plateo near the end of a gigantic leap, at the end of which he hoped to hook away a high-bouncing ball. Lucian, running out to meet the ball, also leapt high to take it on the chest, and Plateo crashed into him feet first, involving himself in an accidental foul.

DUTCH CLUB FILLIP FOR MAJOR LEAGUE

Should Prove Strong Attraction

Each new strong Club which enters the 1st Division makes the fixtures list more attractive from the spectators' point of view, and helps the game and the Clubs by bringing more supporters through the gates. Wilhelmina should duplicate in 1957 the beneficial effects produced in the major League by Slavia's entry this year.

Since it was founded and enrolled in the 4th Division in 1954, Wilhelmina has put up three sensational performances to win the 4th, 3rd, and 2nd Division Premierships in successive years. Here in tabulated form is the amazing record of the Dutch Club:—

Year.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1954	18	16	1	1	80	15	33
1955	18	18	—	—	114	10	36
1956	18	16	2	—	82	24	34
Totals	54	50	3	1	276	49	103

Defeated only once in 54 League games! Averaged over five goals per game! Conceded less than one goal per game! Despite the tougher competition that Wilhelmina will meet in the senior League, such iron-clad consistency will undoubtedly meet with reasonable success.

The Windmills will bring experienced international stars with them into the top grade. Fans have already been delighted by Sjel de Bruyckere, who glides and flows over the pitch like quick-silver, and whose ball-control is nothing short of miraculous.

Sjel played 2nd Division football in Holland when he was 14, and 1st Division when he was 16. His last Club was Willem II, but he played eight times for the National "A" team, and 15 times with National "B," playing against Germany, Austria, Norway, Sweden, Belgium, France, Ireland, and others.

He is settling in well as Wilhelmina's playing-coach, likes the Showgrounds pitch, thinks Pepe Cubero is Victoria's best player, and likes Bill Curran's refereeing.

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Moe United Runners-Up

Before the largest crowd ever seen at a game in the Latrobe Valley, first season Club, Newborough United, defeated Moe United 2-0 to win the L.V.A. League Championship for 1956.

Unlucky Moe United thus becomes League runner-up for the fourth year in succession.

Strangely enough, the same two Clubs must meet twice more — in the final of the Battle of Britain Cup, which is to be played at Yallourn on September 15, and in the final of the Advertiser Shield at a time and place yet to be decided.

The League match was played on Newborough United's home ground, and the pace was fast from the start. Neither side could penetrate each other's defence for some time, however, and it was not until a Moe defender handled the ball in front of his goal that a score was put on the board, Cocu succeeding with the penalty kick.

Later, Krytenberg received a beautifully centred ball from his left-winger, and from at least 15 yards out landed his header into the net.

Results:
Newborough United d. Moe U., 2-0.
Morwell R. drew Tigers, 3-3.

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IN TOP FORM FOR CUP

Bill Blackley is happily settled in with Hakoah, and has been playing in top form recently — which adds up to bad news for Hakoah's Cup opponents.

THE 'KEEPER-CHARGING CONTROVERSY

Goalkeeper Gives His Views

A well-known player, himself a goalkeeper, answered the question with a question when asked for his views on the 'keeper-tackling controversy.

"Why should one player in a team of eleven be exempt from body contact?" he exploded vehemently.

Then he proceeded to elaborate. "It is provided for in the laws. It keeps the game flowing. Hence there is absolutely nothing wrong with contesting the 'keeper — always provided it is done cleanly and strictly within the laws."

This custodian points out that, in continental games, the play stops and the goalie gets what amounts to a free kick every time he receives the ball.

"He takes the ball and the game comes to a complete standstill. He moves out slowly, bouncing the ball, and taking his time in deciding to whom he is going to deliver it."

In British games, he says, play doesn't stop. The goalie receives and is immediately tackled, or harassed into rapid disposal of the ball. As often as not, this means another attack on his goal.

"I recall one occasion," he continued, "when I was in possession and not as quick or watchful as I should have been. I was slammed into the back of the net, ball and all, by a perfectly legal charge. That goal earned a draw and a valuable point for our opponents."

"Soccer News" has never before printed controversial views without divulging the name of the person offering an opinion, but an exception is made in this case.

"Don't use my name," was the player's parting request. "No sense in making myself a target for some tough peanut who may try to make me eat my words."

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SEE THE WORLD CUP SCHEDULE ON PAGE 18.

Another well-known and popular player talking about retirement — Jack Wilson, Captain of Brighton, Victorian and Australian representative — doesn't know whether he can weather the strain of the training grind for another season, and wants to hand on the torch. It's doubtful whether Jack would gain much relaxation out of retirement from playing — he'd find so much work at Brighton with its flock of juniors that "retirement" could prove to be even more onerous.

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FLY KICKS

Moreland Committeemen have some nice words to say about the way in which other Clubs have helped them through this season, during which, because of the renovation of their ground, they were homeless.

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Picture of the week could easily have been one of little Danny Catania in his National Service Army uniform, complete with slouch hat, surrounded by his admiring Hakoah team-mates!

✦ ✦

Maccabi has booked the Empire Ballroom, which is at 386 Chapel St., Prahran, for October 13, and all of Maccabi's soccer friends and supporters are invited to join the Club for its Grand Sports Ball. Enquiries may be made to Mr. S. Rubenstein, 34 Princes St., St. Kilda (evening, 'phone LU 6129). Music will be provided by the popular Italian Cumbacheros combination.

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Another 1st Division Dutch footballer who will be seen with the Windmills is 24-year-old Cor Scherpenissen, who has played seven years with A.D.O., and left half-back on the Dutch National Reserve team.

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Ted Lezon has stated, with a perfectly straight face, that Polonia now has a ladies' team in full training and seeking competition. Taker-uppers may telephone Ted (evenings, at WF 9312). No further applications for the training, coaching, or refereeing of the Polonia ladies will be received — the lists are already full!

✦ ✦

Typical of the sportsman-like spirit of the 3rd Division. When Sandringham, after playing the first 50-odd minutes with 10 players, asked their opponents (Moorabbin) for permission to bring on an eleventh man who had just become available, the answer was an unhesitating "O.K."

✦ ✦

Practical lead from F.I.F.A. in the matter of amateur touring teams. At Lisbon, Congress

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adopted a principle which provides that, when a player is under the supervision of his national association, he will be re-imbursed, in addition to his usual out-of-pocket expenses, with "compensation for loss of wages, according to his salary at that date."

✦ ✦

Brighton's Annual Cabaret night this year will be held at the Moulin Rouge, the night spot in Dickens St., St. Kilda. A good night has been selected for all but Brighton's players — Friday night, September 14. Brighton plays their Cup semi-final against Polonia on the 15th. To ensure equality of hang-overs at the kick-off, the Polonia team had best be invited to Brighton's "do." Andy Keane is taking bookings at XW 3021.

✦ ✦

Rumours from Gippsland concerning differences between the L.V.A. Council and the local branch of the Referees' Association sound anything but pleasant to the ear. High time for the intervention of the calmer, wiser elements, 'twould seem.

Candid Comment

by our

CAUSTIC COACH

"And now I can forget about these idiots of mine until next season. Conceited asses! Just because they won the Pennant, the Cup, and the Shield, they think they know how to play soccer!"

The New South Wales Soccer Club was opened officially a few weeks ago — by Sir John Northcott, Governor of N.S.W.!

✦ ✦

And that reminds us — Maccabi will entertain a N.S.W. 2nd Division side, the Progress Soccer Club, on September 30. It is to be hoped difficulties concerning grounds will have been overcome by that time.

✦ ✦

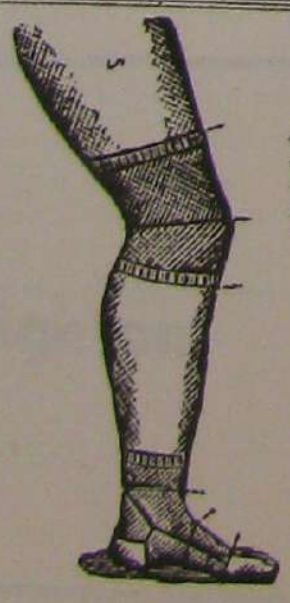
Dandenong's Presentation Ball will be held on Friday, September 21, at the Hemmingway, Dandenong West. It is a licensed night, and tickets are only 15/-. Phone Dandenong 1481, nights, for further information.

✦ ✦

After seeing Miro Roznetinsky's efforts with Slavia's Reserves in their Armstrong Cup game against Juventus at the Showgrounds, we are of two minds as to which is his forte — soccer playing, or acting?

No, Not "Rules" — Soccer!

We have several pictures of Vince Lopo in defensive actions like the one shown here that satisfy us that he goes higher for the ball than most "Rules" footballers. Incidentally, this was the action in the recent Juventus-J.U.S.T. match, in which Vivoli and Gungl, both hidden by Lopo, clashed heads, with serious results for both.



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BUSIDONI v. OLD CLUB

Mario Busidoni, Captain of Juventus during 1955, retired temporarily, but was lured back into training by Slavia, with whom he is playing as well as ever at centre half. This picture was taken on the day that he played against his old Club for the first time. His opponent is Joe Plateo.

SOCCER NEWS SELECTS A COMBINED SIDE

Sure Way to Lose Friends

"Soccer News" decided to devote this space to the selection of a Combined 1st Division team.

Much to our dismay, we found that the average number of worthy candidates for each position was five.

Eight goalkeepers merited consideration, but we found only three centre-forwards in the first ballot.

During the selection of 11 players out of the 55 names we started with, we realised how many friendships must be jeopardised by official selectors. Not wishing to join the ranks of friendless selectors, we almost decided to scrap this item.

Second thoughts prevailed, however, and we present hereunder the "Soccer News" Combined 1st Division team of 1956:—

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FIGURES CAN LIE

This Year's Scores Analysed

A study of the tables in adjacent columns reveals truths that remain hidden in the ladders on Page 24.

The ladders indicate that the scoring ability of the top five teams was superior this year to that of 1955. The figures on this page reveal that, although 50 more goals were scored by the five leaders this season, they were taken from the two relegated Clubs only.

In other words, the weakness of Footscray City and Prahran made the records of the leaders look better than they deserved.

Here is a summary which compares the goal yields of the relegated Clubs for the two seasons:

1955.
Five leaders v. Yallourn/George Cross. Leaders' Goals: For, 75; Against, 28.

1956.
Five leaders v. Footscray City/Prahran. Leaders' Goals: For, 129; Against, 21.

Broken down still further, we find that 34 of Juventus' 66 goals came from Footscray City and Prahran. The same applies to 27 of Hakoah's 66, 26 of Polonia's 55, 23 of J.U.S.T.'s 51, and 19 of Slavia's 53.

Thus, eliminating the two relegated teams, we find that Hakoah scored best against their remaining seven opponents with 39 goals, Slavia was next with 34, then Juventus 32, Polonia 29, and J.U.S.T. 28.

Hakoah had an amazing run in its last seven League games, winning them all with a goal ratio of 31 to 3.

THIS IS THE WINNING FORM THAT HAS MADE HAKOAH THE DOCKERTY CUP FAVOURITE.

1st DIVISION RESULTS

1956

		Juventus	Hakoah	Slavia	Polonia	J.U.S.T.	Brighton	Box Hill	Moreland	Footscray C.	Prahran
Juventus	H	—	2-0	4-0	3-0	2-2	4-1	5-3	3-2	10-3	10-1
	A	—	1-4	2-3	0-0	1-3	2-0	1-0	2-0	6-0	8-0
Hakoah	H	4-1	—	2-7	4-0	4-3	0-5	2-0	5-1	9-0	4-2
	A	0-2	—	2-0	1-1	4-4	5-1	4-1	2-1	6-1	8-1
Slavia	H	3-2	0-2	—	1-5	2-2	5-3	3-1	4-3	6-1	5-0
	A	0-4	7-2	—	2-3	1-1	2-1	2-1	2-1	4-0	4-1
Polonia	H	0-0	1-1	3-2	—	0-0	0-1	2-0	2-3	9-1	6-0
	A	0-3	0-4	5-1	—	3-0	1-1	8-0	4-4	7-1	4-0
J.U.S.T.	H	3-1	4-4	1-1	0-3	—	4-2	1-0	4-2	6-3	4-2
	A	2-2	3-4	2-2	0-0	—	2-3	0-1	2-0	8-1	5-3
Brighton	H	0-2	1-5	1-2	1-1	3-2	—	4-4	3-0	5-0	6-2
	A	1-4	5-0	3-5	1-0	2-4	—	0-1	2-1	3-2	3-2
Box Hill	H	0-1	1-4	1-2	0-8	1-0	1-0	—	1-0	0-2	1-0
	A	3-5	0-2	1-3	0-2	0-1	4-4	—	2-1	1-0	2-2
Moreland	H	0-2	1-2	1-2	4-4	0-2	1-2	1-2	—	4-0	2-1
	A	2-3	1-5	3-4	3-2	2-4	0-3	0-1	—	0-0	5-3
Footscray C.	H	0-6	1-6	0-4	1-7	1-8	2-3	0-1	0-0	—	3-2
	A	3-10	0-9	1-6	1-9	3-6	0-5	2-0	0-4	—	2-5
Prahran	H	0-8	1-8	1-4	0-4	3-5	2-3	2-2	3-5	5-2	—
	A	1-10	2-4	0-5	0-6	2-4	2-6	0-1	1-2	2-3	—

LOPO HAD GOOD SEASON

In its 18 games this season, Juventus conceded only 22 goals to its opponents. Naturally, Vince Lopo is entitled to a great deal of credit for this result. He is pictured here saving a penalty kick by Bob Strahan, of Polonia, in the first match of the season.

2nd DIVISION RESULTS

1956		Wilhelmina	Geelong	Hellenic	Sunshine C.	S. Melbourne	Yallourn	Geo. Cross	South Yarra	Vic. Colts	Park R.
Wilhelmina	H	—	4-1	4-1	5-3	7-0	1-0	5-3	10-3	8-1	7-1
	A	—	4-4	3-2	0-0	6-0	4-1	2-1	4-0	3-1	5-2
Geelong	H	4-4	—	2-1	*	4-2	3-2	2-1	5-0	4-1	8-2
	A	1-4	—	2-4	2-1	1-4	2-2	5-0	6-1	3-1	8-1
Hellenic	H	2-3	4-2	—	5-3	2-1	*	1-2	4-2	3-2	10-3
	A	1-4	1-2	—	1-1	2-4	0-6	7-3	4-0	1-0	2-0
Sunshine C.	H	0-0	1-2	1-1	—	3-1	3-0	6-0	1-1	6-0	2-0
	A	3-5	*	3-5	—	1-1	2-4	1-2	2-0	2-1	5-2
S. Melbourne	H	0-6	4-1	4-2	1-1	—	3-4	6-1	3-3	3-0	6-1
	A	0-7	2-4	1-2	1-3	—	3-0	4-2	2-2	1-1	9-2
Yallourn	H	1-4	2-2	6-0	4-2	0-3	—	4-0	6-1	6-2	4-0
	A	0-1	2-3	*	0-3	4-3	—	2-4	2-4	2-4	2-0
George Cross	H	1-2	1-2	3-7	2-1	2-4	4-2	—	3-4	3-2	0-0
	A	3-5	0-5	2-1	0-6	1-6	0-4	—	1-3	2-1	2-1
South Yarra	H	0-4	1-6	0-4	0-2	2-2	4-2	3-1	—	0-2	3-2
	A	3-10	0-5	2-4	1-1	3-3	1-6	4-3	—	2-1	2-3
Vic. Colts	H	1-8	1-3	0-1	1-2	1-1	2-6	1-2	1-2	—	0-4
	A	1-3	1-4	2-3	0-6	0-3	4-2	2-3	2-0	—	1-1
Park R.	H	2-5	1-8	0-2	2-5	2-9	0-2	1-2	3-2	1-1	—
	A	1-7	2-8	3-10	0-2	1-6	0-4	0-0	2-3	4-0	—

*Re-plays (incomplete).

PLATEO ALL BOXED UP

What probably still ranks as the best game of season 1956 was the Juventus-J.U.S.T. two-all draw at the Showgrounds on April 21. The Italians' attack was continually blunted by situations like the one shown here — Joe Plateo completely hemmed in by defenders, Senisen, Muscat, and Vella.

NEXT YEAR SHOULD BE VERY OPEN

With steam-roller Wilhelmina out of the way, having bullocked its way up to the 1st Division, the 10 teams that will remain in the 2nd Division after promotion and relegations should prove to be very evenly matched.

Ignoring for the time being the queries about the Colts, which are due for relegation, these are the teams that will contest this League:—

Footscray City.	Richmond.
George Cross.	S. Melbourne.
Hellenic.	South Yarra.
Prahran.	Sunshine City.
Preston.	Yallourn.

Re-grouped and strengthened, Footscray City and Prahran should be equal to any tasks imposed by the Clubs in this Division.

Preston and Richmond, coming up from the 3rd Division, have shown ability equal to any they are likely to meet in 1957.

Hellenic, Sunshine City, South Melbourne, and Yallourn are fairly evenly matched, and George Cross and South Yarra were improving rapidly at the close of this year.

It is difficult to sight a standout for likely promotion, in the sense that Slavia stood out in 1955, and Wilhelmina this year.

Richmond will be one of the teams to watch, and George Cross is being touted for a strong comeback. The ever-threatening Sunshine City, Hellenic, South Melbourne, and Yallourn cannot be discounted, and the strength shown by Preston to win its premiership of the 3rd Division will definitely be carried into the higher League.

The 2nd Division for 1957 is very open indeed.

REPLAYS INCOMPLETE

The re-plays, Geelong v. Sunshine City and Hellenic v. Yallourn, were unplayed when this "Review" went to press, but were expected to be completed on September 8.

RICHMOND, PRESTON FOR PROMOTION

Although two rounds remained to be played in the 3rd Division when this "Review" when to press, leaders Preston and Richmond were assured of promotion.

Preston's premiership was not 100 per cent. safe, however. Only two points behind, Richmond could have equalised when the two met on September 8, but to take the pennant, Richmond would have had to inflict a severe defeat, in the neighbourhood of 5-0, on the leader.

This, despite the fact that Richmond has put up the colossal tally of 95 goals, with only 21 conceded, in 20 matches!

Such are the vagaries of League points and goal ratios. When Maccabi played a grand game to draw with the undefeated Preston on September 1, its only reward, despite the point gained, was to drop from fourth place on the ladder to sixth.

Coburg, which looked to be a certain candidate for promotion all season, struck a bad patch only a few weeks ago, and was quickly superseded by Richmond.

3rd DIVISION RESULTS

1956

		Preston	Richmond	Coburg	Dandenong	Sunshine U.	Maccabi	Brunswick	Frankston	F.N.D.	Moorabbin C.	Sandringham C.	Williamstown
Preston	H	—	*	2-1	4-0	8-0	7-0	4-0	2-1	1-1	7-1	2-1	4-0
	A	—	2-0	*	2-2	4-1	1-1	0-0	3-1	6-1	6-1	4-1	5-0
Richmond	H	0-2	—	0-2	8-1	2-1	5-1	6-0	2-0	6-1	4-2	3-0	*
	A	*	—	7-0	4-5	8-0	7-2	3-0	6-0	6-2	7-1	8-1	3-0
Coburg	H	*	0-7	—	1-1	4-0	4-1	3-1	3-2	4-1	3-4	5-0	4-0
	A	1-2	2-0	—	4-3	0-3	5-4	3-1	*	0-6	9-1	1-1	6-0
Dandenong	H	2-2	5-4	3-4	—	6-3	2-0	3-3	1-1	8-2	*	5-0	4-0
	A	0-4	1-8	1-1	—	*	1-1	4-3	2-4	3-4	4-1	1-4	4-0
Sunshine U.	H	1-4	0-8	3-0	*	—	6-2	0-1	3-1	6-2	4-1	3-2	3-1
	A	0-8	1-2	0-4	3-6	—	*	3-3	3-2	2-1	1-3	5-0	4-2
Maccabi	H	1-1	2-4	4-5	1-1	*	—	3-1	2-0	6-1	5-2	3-2	6-1
	A	0-7	1-5	1-4	0-2	2-6	—	2-2	2-0	2-2	7-1	*	2-0
Brunswick	H	0-0	0-3	1-3	3-3	3-3	2-2	—	*	6-1	3-1	3-2	4-0
	A	0-4	0-6	1-3	3-4	1-0	1-3	—	3-3	*	1-2	4-0	4-2
Frankston	H	1-3	0-6	*	4-2	2-3	0-2	3-3	—	w.o.	5-0	8-2	2-2
	A	1-2	0-2	2-3	1-1	1-3	0-2	*	—	4-4	2-3	3-1	3-2
F.N.D.	H	1-6	2-6	6-0	4-3	1-2	2-2	*	4-4	—	8-1	3-1	5-2
	A	1-1	1-6	1-4	2-8	2-6	1-6	1-6	l.p.	—	*	2-2	1-1
Moorabbin C.	H	1-6	1-7	1-9	1-4	3-1	1-7	2-1	3-2	*	—	2-1	2-1
	A	1-7	2-7	4-3	*	1-4	2-5	1-3	0-5	1-8	—	1-1	2-3
Sand'ham C.	H	1-4	1-8	1-1	4-1	0-5	*	0-4	1-3	2-2	1-1	—	5-1
	A	1-2	0-3	0-5	0-5	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-8	1-3	1-2	—	*
W'town	H	0-5	0-3	0-6	0-4	2-4	0-2	2-4	2-3	1-1	3-2	*	—
	A	0-4	*	0-4	0-4	1-3	1-6	0-4	2-2	2-5	1-2	1-5	—

*Incomplete.

JACK OF ALL (SOCCER) TRADES

When Slavia thrashed Hakoah 7-2 at the Showgrounds on May 26, Tom Jack played everywhere, including a spell in goal, in an attempt to stem the debacle. He scored one of Hakoah's two goals when he dashed in and headed this corner kick right past Bob Zablocki and into the net.

THAT JUNIOR OVERFLOW

Again a spokesman for the 3rd Division Clubs, Mr. Don Sutherland, urges major Clubs to direct their overflow of Juniors to other Divisions as the alternative to their complete loss from soccer.

"Sandringham City, in common with many 3rd Division Clubs, offers a warm welcome to any young players seeking a senior Club," writes Mr. Sutherland.

"Those senior Clubs which are in the fortunate position of having more players coming up from junior ranks than can be accommodated in their seniors teams, would be rendering a service to the soccer code by giving some of these lads a personal introduction to 3rd Division Clubs.

"This would have the effect of saving many of the ex-juniors who now tend to drift away from the game in discouragement, and would also help to strengthen the 3rd Division, wherein are being nurtured many of the game's future stars."

LAIDLAW "WORLD" CUP

World Cup at Quarter-Finals

The Laidlaw World Cup was at the quarter-final stage when this "Review" went to press, and one, in which Italy comfortably defeated Croatia 4-0, was played on September 2 in sea-going conditions at Middle Park after a night of heavy rain.

The Ireland-England rivalry, which had resulted in two draws, was resolved on the same day in a second re-play. In wet ground conditions which prevented the players from displaying soccer of the quality and excitement of their previous two meetings, Ireland defeated England 2-1.

The second and third quarter-finals, Ireland v. Australia and Austria v. Poland, were then drawn for Middle Park on Sunday, September 9.

The fourth quarter-final was drawn for Middle Park on Sunday, September 16, to be preceded by the second semi-final of the Armstrong Reserve Cup, Wilhelmina v. Hakoah.

Preliminary Round: POLAND d. LATVIA, 3-0.

1st ROUND.				QUARTER-FINALS.		
IRELAND	3	2	2	IRELAND		To be played on September 9, 2 p.m., Middle Park.
ENGLAND	3	2	1			
AUSTRALIA			1	AUSTRALIA		
MALTA			0			
HOLLAND			1	HOLLAND		To be played on September 16, 3.15 p.m., Middle Park.
SCOTLAND			0			
CZECHOSLOVAKIA			1	CZECHOSLOVAKIA		
GERMANY			0			
AUSTRIA		0	1	AUSTRIA		To be played September 9, 3.15 p.m., Middle Park.
JUGOSLAVIA		0	0			
POLAND			3	POLAND		
UKRAINE			2			
ITALY			4	ITALY	4	Was played September 2, at Middle Park.
ISRAEL			3			
CROATIA			3	CROATIA	0	
GREECE			2			

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THE MYSTERY OF THE VANISHING JUNIORS

Answers Sought by Jack Olsen

MR. JACK OLSEN.

"Have you got a picture of the Victorian team of 15 schoolboys who did so well in the 1950 Carnival held in New South Wales?" asks Jack Olsen. "Of the 15 boys, only six to my knowledge are still playing soccer!"

Mr. Olsen adds to this tragic record when he states that a large percentage of juniors, upon whom a sizable amount of money and time are spent each year, later disappear completely from the soccer scene.

He believes that one of the reasons for this is that too many senior Clubs are not sympathetic towards grooming juniors — they want their players ready made.

Other Clubs sign trained but not fully experienced juniors, then, finding that they need further coaching to give them sufficient polish for senior grades, and having neither the will nor the foresight to carry out this responsibility, they simply scrub them.

HURT AND EMBARRASSED, THESE BOYS ARE LOST TO SOCCER PERMANENTLY.

"I have ideas as to how this alarming state of affairs can be remedied," says Mr. Olsen, "but I would like to hear suggestions from other members and sections of the soccer community."

Any soccer supporter who has this matter at heart should contact Mr. Olsen at 314 Inkerman Road, East St. Kilda; or 'phone him, evenings, at LB 1444.

FOR MEN ONLY!

Men are the most paradoxical beings on the face of the earth. They hunt women with all the intensity of a hound dawg after a fox, then after the capture, they think up all sorts of reasons for getting off with the boys!

Hakoah has thought this one up for the whole male side of the soccer fraternity — a smoke night at the Eden Cabaret, at 201 Barkly St., St. Kilda, on Thursday night, Sept. 13. Should be good-oh, too. For the necessary ducats for entry, ring Nat Baytch, at FL 1955.

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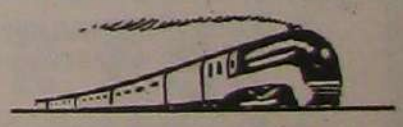

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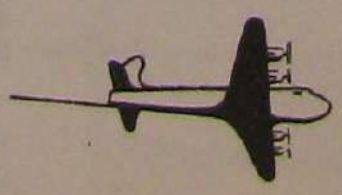

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UNDER 19's PENNANT TO JUVENTUS

Sunshine City Wins Under 17's

Eight League points in front of its nearest rival, Brighton, and with the astonishing goal ratio of 75 to 8, Juventus has won the Under 19's Premiership for 1956.

Sunshine City was undefeated in its 18 games to win the Under 17's pennant, and can also point to a proud record of attack and defence — 77 goals for and 13 against. Their margin of points over runner-up, Box Hill, was 9.

The Under 15's had not yet been decided when this "Review" went to press, and only one point separated leaders, Brighton and Box Hill.

* * *

The Juniors will still make that trip to Yallourn as soon as the elements and other factors are reported suitable.

Junior Ladders

Under 19.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus	19	18	—	1	75	8	36
Brighton	19	12	4	3	57	26	28
St. Kilda	19	12	3	4	55	18	27
St. Albans ..	19	12	2	5	50	24	26
Essendon	19	7	6	6	37	33	20
Sunshine U.	18	7	5	5	49	33	19
Box Hill	19	7	5	7	37	41	19
Footscray ..	19	7	3	9	43	34	17
Hellenic	19	6	3	10	45	47	15
Wilhelmina ..	18	5	1	12	40	43	11
I.C.I.	19	2	1	16	18	68	5
Wesley C. ..	19	2	—	17	17	105	4

Under 17.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sunshine C.	18	16	2	—	77	13	34
Box Hill	18	12	1	5	51	26	25
Polonia	18	11	—	7	47	38	22
Lions	18	8	4	5	35	18	20
Preston	18	10	—	8	34	30	20
Brighton	18	8	4	6	32	34	20
Prahran	18	7	4	7	49	40	18
Army App. ..	18	5	1	12	28	63	11
St. Kilda	18	3	1	14	28	35	7
Moorabbin ..	18	1	3	14	17	66	5

League complete — Sunshine City Premiers.

Under 15.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Brighton	19	13	4	2	50	13	30
Box Hill	18	13	3	2	59	9	29
Fairfield	19	12	2	5	59	25	26
Dandenong ..	19	12	1	6	65	25	25
Pascoe Vale	19	10	5	4	48	21	25
St. Kilda	19	10	4	5	39	15	24
Essendon	19	10	3	6	37	18	23
Preston	18	9	1	8	30	33	19
Sunshine U.	19	8	1	10	31	28	17
Polonia	19	7	3	9	30	44	17
Brooklyn U.	18	7	1	10	31	18	15
Sth. Yarra ..	19	4	1	14	20	40	9
Wesley C. ..	18	1	1	16	6	94	3
Moorabbin ..	19	—	—	19	4	85	—

SCHOOLS PREMIERSHIP TO UNIV. HIGH

Holder Retains Dunkling Shield

Heavily outweighed in both avoirdupois and experience, Moorabbin Technical School was defeated 8-1 by University High School in their challenge tie at Middle Park on August 29. The game was played in heavy conditions.

The teamwork of the winners, nine of whom were playing together for the second year, was worthy of a far higher grade of football, and, putting on several early goals, the High School team was never in danger.

Frank Schultz, Captain and centre half of Moorabbin, led and rallied his smaller, lighter team with the aplomb of a veteran.

Holland v. Czechoslovakia September 16

Holland, sponsored by Wilhelmina, and Czechoslovakia, sponsored by Slavia, were scheduled to meet in their Laidlaw World Cup quarter-final on Sunday, September 16, at Middle Park. Kick-off, 3.15 p.m.

This match will be preceded at 1 p.m. by the Wilhelmina-Hakoah Armstrong Cup semi-final.

Up There, Lopo!

Again we see Lopo take to the air as though on springs, while Saico and Huygen watch admiringly. See also Page 11.

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SHOWGROUNDS.

MORELAND v. HAKOAH.

3rd DIVISION.

DANDENONG v. MOORABBIN.
WILLIAMSTOWN v. SANDRINGHAM.
PRESTON v. RICHMOND.
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FRANKSTON v. COBURG.
F.N.D. v. BRUNSWICK.

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2nd DIVISION RE-PLAYS.

MIDDLE PARK.

HELLENIC v. YALLOURN.
GEELONG v. SUNSHINE CITY.

3rd DIVISION RESERVES.

UNIVERSITY v. WILLIAMSTOWN.
MOORABBIN v. COBURG.
SUNSHINE U. v. HEIDELBERG.
I.C.I. v. LIONS.
DANDENONG v. SANDRINGHAM.
WILHELMINA v. MACCABI.

Sun., Sept. 9

WORLD CUP QUARTER-FINALS.

MIDDLE PARK.

2 p.m.: IRELAND v. AUSTRALIA.
3.15 p.m.: AUSTRIA v. POLAND.

Sat., Sept. 15

DOCKERTY CUP SEMI-FINAL.

POLONIA v. BRIGHTON.

3rd DIVISION.

MOORABBIN v. F.N.D.
RICHMOND v. WILLIAMSTOWN.
COBURG v. PRESTON.
SUNSHINE U. v. DANDENONG.
BRUNSWICK v. FRANKSTON.
SANDRINGHAM v. MACCABI.

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WILLIAMSTOWN v. WILHELMINA.
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				WILHELMINA	5			
PARK RANGERS	1	WILHELMINA	5					
WILHELMINA	8							
						WILHELMINA		
BOX HILL	2							
YALLOURN	3	YALLOURN	1					
				BRIGHTON	4			
BRIGHTON	6	BRIGHTON	3					
GEORGE CROSS	0							
PRAHRAN	14							
DANDENONG	2	PRAHRAN	1					
				POLONIA	0			
POLONIA	13	POLONIA	4					
SOUTH YARRA	0							
S. MELBOURNE	9							
WILLIAMSTOWN	0	S. MELB.	2					
				HAKOAH	4			
SAND'HAM C.	2	HAKOAH	7					
HAKOAH	7							
						HAKOAH		
I.C.I.	2							
MACCABI	0	I.C.I.	0					
				JUVENTUS	1			
JUVENTUS	9	JUVENTUS	1					
FOOTSCRAY C.	0							
						JUVENTUS	1	
UNIVERSITY	0							
MORELAND	12	MORELAND	5					
				MORELAND	0			
SUNSHINE C., bye		SUNSHINE C.	1					
								SLAVIA
J.U.S.T.	12							
HEIDELBERG	3	J.U.S.T.	3					
				J.U.S.T.	1			
PRESTON	—	SUNSHINE U.	1					
S'SHINE U., W.O.								
						SLAVIA	2	
MOORABBIN C.	2							
LIONS	3	LIONS	1					
				SLAVIA	9			
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HOW THEY STAND

1st DIVISION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus	18	13	2	3	66	22	28
Hakoah	18	13	2	3	66	31	28
Slavia	18	12	2	4	53	33	26
Polonia	18	9	5	4	55	22	23
J.U.S.T.	18	9	5	4	51	34	23
Brighton	18	9	2	7	44	37	20
Box Hill	18	6	2	10	19	37	14
Moreland	18	4	2	12	30	42	10
Footscray City	18	2	1	15	20	91	5
Prahran	18	1	1	16	27	82	3

League completed.

2nd DIVISION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Wilhelmina	18	16	2	—	82	24	34
Geelong	17	12	2	3	62	31	26
Hellenic	17	10	1	6	50	38	21
Sunshine C.	17	8	4	5	42	25	20
Sth. Melb.	18	8	4	6	53	42	20
Yallourn	17	8	1	8	47	36	17
Geo. Cross	18	6	1	11	30	56	13
S. Yarra	18	5	3	10	31	61	13
Vic. Colts	18	2	2	14	21	54	6
Park R.	18	3	2	13	25	76	6

3rd DIVISION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Preston	20	16	4	—	74	13	36
Richmond	20	17	—	3	95	21	34
Coburg	20	13	2	5	62	38	28
Dandenong	20	9	5	6	60	49	23
Sunshine U.	20	11	1	8	51	53	23
Maccabi	20	9	4	7	52	47	22
Brunswick	20	7	5	8	43	45	19
Frankston	20	6	4	10	42	46	16
F.N.D.	20	5	5	10	48	67	15
M'abbin C.	20	6	1	13	32	85	13
S'ringham C.	20	2	3	15	27	67	7
W'town	20	1	2	17	18	73	4

METROPOLITAN NORTH.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hayduk	14	11	1	2	44	12	23
Lions	14	10	3	1	65	21	23
St. Albans	14	5	5	4	26	23	15
Bayswater	14	5	3	6	36	35	13
Fairfield	14	5	2	7	31	48	12
Heidelberg	14	5	1	8	31	36	11
I.C.I.	14	4	2	8	27	51	10
University	14	1	3	10	18	43	5

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METROPOLITAN SOUTH.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Yarra Park	14	13	—	1	66	19	26
Rosebud	14	10	3	1	34	15	23
Vic. Police	14	9	2	3	35	24	20
Croatia	14	6	3	5	31	25	15
Port Melb.	14	6	2	6	47	22	14
Pascoe Vale	14	4	2	8	24	37	10
G.M.H.	14	2	—	12	7	89	4

INVITATION 1st DIVISION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus	18	17	—	1	69	14	34
Hakoah	18	12	2	4	52	28	26
Slavia	18	12	2	4	55	32	26
Polonia	18	10	2	6	57	25	22
Brighton	18	9	2	7	34	29	20
F'scray C.	18	7	1	10	39	50	15
Box Hill	18	7	—	11	26	51	14
Moreland	18	5	2	11	34	57	12
J.U.S.T.	18	4	1	13	23	51	9
Sunshine C.	18	1	—	17	11	63	2

INVITATION 2nd DIVISION

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Wilhelmina	18	15	2	1	102	28	32
Geelong	18	13	—	5	63	27	26
Sth. Melb.	18	11	1	6	56	38	23
Hellenic	18	10	2	6	50	33	22
Yallourn	18	9	2	7	49	49	20
Prahran	18	8	2	8	42	48	18
Preston	18	6	3	9	38	46	15
George Cross	18	4	3	11	23	23	11
S. Yarra	18	3	2	13	25	86	8
Park R.	18	3	—	15	18	88	6

INVITATION 3rd DIVISION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lions	20	15	1	4	84	28	31
Coburg	20	13	3	4	50	25	29
Sunshine U.	19	12	3	4	66	29	27
I.C.I.	20	12	2	6	53	41	26
Wilhelmina	19	11	1	7	47	37	23
S'ringham C.	20	10	1	9	45	54	21
Dandenong	20	7	3	10	42	49	17
Maccabi	17	7	—	10	38	40	14
Moorabbin C.	20	5	4	11	34	57	14
University	20	6	1	13	32	78	13
Heidelberg	20	4	2	14	25	59	10
W'town	20	4	1	15	25	42	9

LATROBE VALLEY ASSOCIATION.

Team.	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
N'borough U.	14	12	—	2	61	10	24
Moe United	14	10	1	3	47	20	21
Morwell	12	6	2	4	37	35	14
Tigers	14	5	4	5	34	43	14
Eastern R.	13	5	3	5	19	27	13
Morwell R.	14	4	2	8	35	34	10
Sale United	14	4	1	9	23	47	9
Yallourn A.	13	1	1	11	12	52	3

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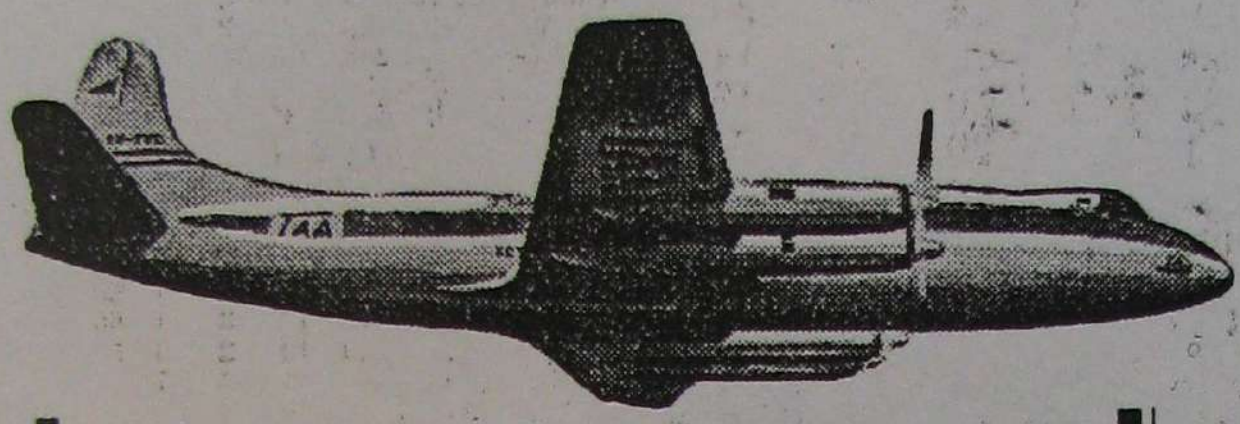

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